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Editorial



SO ENGLAND have made it to the World Cup finals in Spain next summer. Great. Fantastic.

It's taken a long time coming, and the finals have never been quite the same in 1974 and 1978 when England failed to qualify.

But now that the original euphoria has died down, let's examine the situation more closely. England as they stand are not a good side.

I don't want to sound like a killjoy, but I just couldn't get carried away on the same over-optimistic note that John Motson spouted on the television last Wednesday. We beat a Hungary side who couldn't have cared less what happened with a lucky goal — and we've only qualified because the number of finalists has been extended and two countries have qualified from our group instead of the normal one.

Our defence is nothing to shout about. They were worried by action-shy Hungary — so how will they fare against the likes of West Germany and Brazil?

The midfield was more promising, but the forwards never seemed to want to have a go themselves. Are they afraid of shouldering responsibility?

The introduction of Aston Villa winger Tony Morley was far more encouraging. He was effervescent, he wanted to take players on, and his individual flair is exciting.

Oh for more like him in Spain.

In the Victoria Ground at the moment, though, the World Cup is completely outshone by the F.A. Cup — and tonight we shall be looking for the players to continue where they left off on Saturday and ensure our progress into the second round.

First round knockouts always leave a large void in the season, as emphasised at Barnsley and Scunthorpe in the last two years, and it's about time we enjoyed a good run.

Continued Cup action is also vital from the financial point of view. In the Football League's lower echelons, most clubs struggle at their bread and butter games. Last week's gate against Northampton, for example, only fetched in £1,600, and we have to guarantee the visitors £600 straightaway. After all expenses have been deducted and 4% has been sent to the League, that doesn't leave much for wages and general running costs.

The Cup possesses a bit of magic though, and there should be a fair gate here tonight. But the pull of a possible five-figure crowd, home or away, in the third round is as important from the cash angle as it is from the glory angle.

Finally, a Cup question. When we last faced First Division opposition in Leeds United in 1978-79, whom did we beat in the second round? Answers please to me, c/o the Victoria Ground by Friday, December 4th, with two tickets for a future home match on offer for the first correct entry picked out.

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BILLY HORNER'S VIEWPOINT

CUP football lasts for nothing less than 90 minutes.

Wigan thought they had the tie won when they went two goals in front in the second half on Saturday. We thought otherwise, and our spirited comeback saw us deservedly draw level through Phil Linacre and Bob Newton.

But the fight is not over yet. Wigan will still be a tough nut to crack, so please give the players every encouragement for a win that will hopefully act as a springboard to a place in the "big one" — the third round.

F.A. CUP FIRST ROUND

FULL RESULTS

Aldershot	2	0	Leystone & Ilford
Bedford Town	0	2	Wimbleton
Bideford	1	2	Barking
Bishop Auckland	4	1	Nuneaton Borough
Bishop's Stortford	2	2	Sutton United
Blyth Spartans	1	2	Walsall
Boston United	0	1	Kettering Town
Bournemouth	1	0	Reading
Brentford	2	0	Exeter City
Bristol City	0	0	Torquay United
Bristol Rovers	1	2	Fulham
Burnley	0	0	Runcorn
Chesterfield	4	1	Preston Nth End
Colchester Utd	2	0	Newport County
Dagenham	2	2	Yeovil Town
Darlington	2	2	Carlisle Utd
Dorchester Town	3	3	Minehead
Dover	0	2	Oxford United
Enfield	2	0	Hastings Utd
Halifax Town	0	3	Peterboro Utd
Harlow Town	0	0	Barnet
Hendon	1	1	Wycombe Wanderers
Hereford Utd	3	1	Southend Utd
Horden Coll Welf	0	1	Blackpool
Lincoln City	2	2	Port Vale
Mansfield Town	0	1	Doncaster Rovers
Penrith	1	0	Chester
Plymouth Argyle	0	0	Gillingham
Portsmouth	1	1	Millwall
Rochdale	2	2	Hull City
Scunthorpe Utd	1	0	Bradford City
Sheffield Utd	2	2	Altrincham
Stafford Rangers	1	2	York City
Stockport Co	3	1	Mossley
Taunton Town	1	2	Swindon Town
Tranmere Rovers	1	1	Bury
Weymouth	0	0	Northampton Town
Wigan Ath	2	2	Hartlepool Utd
Willenhall	0	1	Crewe Alexandra
Workington	1	1	Huddersfield Town

TEN YEARS AGO - A Cup goal spree made a welcome change from our poor League form as we beat Northern Premier League Scarborough 6-1 at the Vic. Ron Young and substitute Bobby Veart scored two apiece with Ken Ellis and Neil Warnock completing the rout. Hartlepool (20.11.71): Gadsby, Potter, Ashurst, Parry, Goad, Spelman (Veart), Smith, Young, Welsh, Ellis, Warnock. Wigan, yet to join the League, beat Third Division Halifax 2-1 (Sutherland, Oates), but other non-League sides to receive a caning were Hillingdon Borough (7-1 at Brighton) and Margate (11.0 at Bournemouth, where Ted MacDougall scored nine). Blyth won 1-0 at Crewe, while South Shields beat Scunthorpe 3-2 away in a replay.

FIVE YEARS AGO - A bruising, cheerless encounter at Chester saw us go down 1-0 with Kevin Elliott being sent off. Chester carried on to the fifth round. Hartlepool (20.11.76): Edgar, Creamer, Wiggatt, Maggiore, Scott, Rowlands, O'Donnell, Scaife, Elliott, Goad, Bielby. Wigan fell 2-0 to fellow non-League Matlock Town, two of the three Fenoughty brothers in the side notching the goals. Minnows to make the headlines were Leatherhead (2-0 v Northampton), Hillingdon (2-1 at Torquay) and Minehead, who scored a fine win at Swansea. Derek Dougan scored a replay winner for Southern League Kettering at Oxford.

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Peterborough	16	10	3	3	31	14	33	Rochdale	16	4	4	8	15	24	16
Wigan	16	8	5	3	24	17	29	Halifax	16	3	6	7	16	28	15
Torquay	16	8	3	5	21	16	27	Hull	16	3	5	8	26	32	14
Blackpool	17	7	5	5	36	24	26	Mansfield	16	3	4	9	20	30	13
Port Vale	16	7	4	5	18	18	25	Crewe	16	4	0	12	11	31	12
HARTLEPOOL	16	6	3	7	21	22	21	Northampton	17	2	5	10	20	39	11
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GROUP CUP

AUGUST		F.A.	Gate			F.A.
15	Rotherham United	0-1	H 2031	16	Mansfield Town	A
19	Bradford City	0-1	H 1,221	23	Colchester United (4)	A
22	Hull City	0-1	A 1,621	30	York City	H

FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIV. 4

29	Colchester United	1-3	H 2,007
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SEPTEMBER

1	Northampton T. (LC1)	0-2	A 1,480
5	Rochdale	1-2	A 1,481
12	Wigan Athletic	2-1	H 1,715
16	Northampton T. (LC1)	2-1	H 1,975
18	York City	2-1	A 2,244
22	Scunthorpe United	1-2	A 1,988
26	Halifax Town	3-2	H 1,800
30	Hull City	3-2	H 2,654

OCTOBER

3	Hereford United	1-1	A 2,247
7	League Cup 2(1L)		
10	Peterborough United	0-1	H 2,450
17	Sheffield United	1-1	A 12,752
20	Tranmere Rovers	0-1	A 1,431
24	Torquay United	0-0	H 2,099
28	League Cup 2 (2L)		
31	Aldershot	2-1	A 2,658

NOVEMBER

4	Crewe Alexandra	1-2	H 2,328
8	Bradford City	0-1	A 5,753
11	League Cup 3		
14	Northampton Town		H
21	F.A. Cup 1		
28	Port Vale		A

DECEMBER

2	League Cup 4		
5	A.F.C. Bournemouth		H
12	F.A. Cup 2		
19	Blackpool		H
26	Stockport County		A
28	Darlington		H

JANUARY, 1982

2	Bury (3)		A
9	Rochdale		H
13	League Cup 5		

FEBRUARY

3	League Cup SF 1		
6	Wigan Athletic		A
10	Scunthorpe U (LCSF 2)		H
13	Hereford United (5)		H
20	Hull City		A
27	Peterborough United		A

MARCH

6	Sheffield United (6)		H
10	Tranmere Rovers		H
13	Torquay United (LCF)		A
17	Crewe Alexandra		A
20	Aldershot		H
27	Bradford City		H

APRIL

3	Northampton Town (SF)		A
9			
10	Stockport County		H
12	Darlington		A
13			
17	A.F.C. Bournemouth		A
24	Port Vale		H

MAY

1	Halifax Town		A
5	Mansfield Town		H
8	Bury		H
15	Blackpool		A
22	F.A. Cup Final		

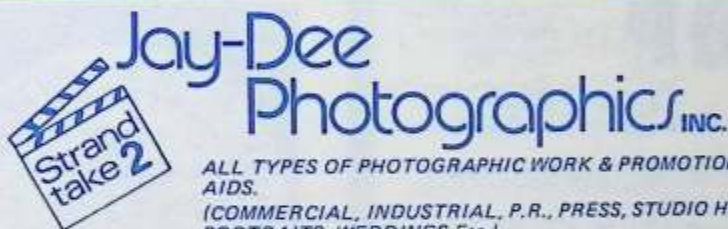


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15 Aug.				9 Jan.			
22	Rotherham United	H	1-1	16	Middlesbrough	H	
29	Chesterfield	A	2-1	23			
5 Sept.	Leeds United	H	0-0	30	Sheffield Wednesday	A	
12	Hull City	A	0-1	6 Feb.	Darlington	H	
19	Lincoln City	H	0-1	13	Middlesbrough	A	
26	League Cup Sheff. Utd	H	1-0	20	Newcastle United	A	
3 Oct.	Barnsley	H	1-1	27	Huddersfield Town	H	
10/21	Darlington LC	A 2-2	H 3-2	6 March	Leeds United	A	
17	Doncaster Rovers	A	1-0	13	Sunderland	A	
24	Grimsby Town	H	3-1	20	Doncaster Rovers	H	
31	York City	H	2-1	27	Sheffield United	A	
7 Nov.	Huddersfield Town	A	1-0	3 April	Rotherham United	A	
10	Darlington	A		10			
14	Sheffield Wednesday	H		12	EASTER MONDAY		
21	Grimsby Town	A		17	Sunderland	H	
28	Chesterfield	H		24	Barnsley	A	
5 Dec.	Lincoln City	A		1 May			
12	Hull City	H		8			
19	Sheffield United			15			
26	York City	A		22			
2 Jan.	Newcastle United	H					

WEARISIDE LEAGUE (Hartlepool Utd. Reserves)

15 Aug	Annfield Plain	A	1-1	3 Oct	Eppleton	H	2-1
19	Wingate	A	2-1	10	Washington	A	1-2
22	Boldon	A	3-2	14	Ryhope	H	3-0
26	Murton	A	3-3	17	Murton	H	4-0
29	Brandon	A	3-3	24	Blue Star	A	0-1
31	Roker	H	1-2	28	Washington	H	3-2
2 Sep	Stockton	A	5-0	7 Nov	Roker (Monk Cup 2)	H	0-1
5	Brandon	H	2-1	14	South Shields	A	1-2
8	Ryhope	A	0-2	21	Wingate (Ship C 2)	A	0-1
12	Chester-le-St (Ship A)	A	1-0	28	Whickham	H	
16	Easington	A	2-1	5 Dec	Heaton Stannington	A	
19	Heaton Stannington	H	1-0	12	Roker	A	
23	Blue Star	H	1-1	19	Eppleton	A	
26	Chester-le-St	A	1-0	28	Whickham	A	
				2 Jan	Blue Star (LC2)	A	
				16	Reyrolles	H	

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Our full list of opponents has ranged widely from entertaining the Football League champions in two successive years — Chelsea in 1956 and Manchester United in that never to be forgotten clash in 1957 — to a humiliating 5-2 defeat by non-League Spennymoor United in 1928. We are still unbeaten at home to non-League sides however, a record which few of our Fourth Division colleagues can boast.

The most recent non-League side we have faced was Runcorn here in the second round in 1977. We met after a replay apiece, when both of us were hailed as giant-killers. We beat Third Division promotion challengers Tranmere Rovers 3-1 at the Vic, while Runcorn beat then Fourth Division Southport (who made way for Wigan at the end of that season) 1-0 at their Canal Street ground. We put them firmly in their place after that however (4-2).

A couple of seasons previously we beat Cheshire League side Marine 6-3 in another replay, but between 1970 and 1973 we lost to three non-League sides.

We were humbled 1-0 at Rhyl in 1970-71, 2-1 at Boston in 1971-72 (after a 6-1 thrashing of Scarborough) and 2-0 at Altrincham in 1973-74.

That Altrincham defeat was our last by a non-League outfit, which was the answer I wanted for the quiz set in the Crewe programme. First winner out of the hat was **BILL NEMO**, of the Fens, Hartlepool, and he wins two tickets for the forthcoming home game against Bournemouth.

In 1923 we thrashed local Newcastle side St. Peter's Albion 10-1, with Smith notching a personal tally of seven goals. That was not bettered for nearly 50 years until Ted MacDougall scored nine for Bournemouth against Margate in 1971. But ironically Smith's effort was never a record for it only equalled the seven scored by W.H. Minter of St. Albans in an earlier qualifying round a few weeks previously — yet St. Albans lost 8-7 to Dulwich Hamlet!

The F.A. Cup is 110 years old, the first final being played in 1872 — and although football was not so prominent in those far-off days, the occasion was still an important one.

The 'Sporting Life' of March 23rd 1872 reported: "On Saturday, the last of the matches for the possession of the Challenge Cup took place at Kennington Oval. The two clubs left in to contend for the honour of holding the trophy for the first year were the Wanderers and the Royal Engineers, and as the rivals on this occasion were certainly the two most powerful organisations supporting Association rules, the excitement, not only among the partisans of the respective sides, but among the lovers of football generally, was intense."

As in many finals since, the favourites failed to win. The Royal Engineers, their team composed entirely of officers, lost 1-0 to a goal scored by M.P. Betts. Charles Alcock, the man who had originally thought up the idea of founding the F.A. Cup, had a second goal for Wanderers disallowed for handball.

The first final was watched by a crowd of 2,000, a substantial attendance when the admission price was one shilling (5p), a high figure at a time when the weekly average wage was less than a pound.

The 2,000 may still seem meagre compared to the capacity crowds seen at Wembley nowadays, but "great oaks from little acorns grow" — the F.A. Cup has grown to become the greatest domestic Cup competition in the world.



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The biggest shock on Saturday was Northern League Penrith's 1-0 victory over Third Division Chester at their little Southend Road ground. Penrith had never reached this stage of the competition before, and former Newcastle United player Geoff Fell's 65th minute goal ensured that they would be breaking new ground again.

The special atmosphere was very much in evidence here at the Victoria Ground too. While we were drawing at Wigan, neighbours Horden Colliery Welfare used the ground to take on Fourth Division Blackpool, one time winners of the F.A. Cup.

Horden can consider themselves unfortunate to have been beaten 1-0 with a goal against the run of play, but the colliery town certainly had a day to remember.

Blackpool's winner was scored by former Workington player Wayne Harrison, and Workington too were involved at this stage. The former League club were at home to Third Division Huddersfield, and it was rather like the good old days at Borough Park.

Workington had the better of the first half, and John Reach (who hails from Chester-le-Street) gave them an early lead. Workington were in fact looking to equal a club record of eight wins on the trot, a feat not achieved since before the last war.

Huddersfield full back Malcolm Brown dashed that aim, however, with a second half equaliser which some believed never crossed the line.

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WIGAN ATHLETIC have already appeared at the Victoria Ground this season, and we were happy to win 2-1 in September to secure our first points of the season. A similar result tonight would satisfy us, but Wigan will be no pushovers as they are currently pressing the leaders in the Fourth Division promotion race. They are renowned for their giant-killing acts in their non-League days, and even two years ago they won 1-0 at Chelsea through a Tommy Gore goal (thus prompting a Hartlepool Mail headline of 'Gore Blimey!'). Last season's F.A. Cup record came to an end with a first round replay defeat by Chesterfield.

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ROY TUNKS (Goalkeeper) Acquired from Preston this season where he gained great experience to the tune of 300 appearances up to the end of the 1980-81 campaign. His first club was Rotherham (138 League appearances) and he has also played four times for York on loan.

JOHN MCMAHON (Full back) Signed from Crewe during the close season. His experience with Preston and other League clubs has brought a tighter look to Wigan's back four. Has well over 300 League appearances to his credit.

LARRY LLOYD (Central Defender) Appointed in the second half of last season as player-manager, this battle-hardened English international has brought a more professional approach to the side. A fierce competitor with over 400 League games under his belt and, a wealth of experience acquired with Bristol Rovers, Liverpool, Coventry City and Nottingham Forest.

COLIN METHVEN (Central defender) Former manager Ian McNeill's deep knowledge of Scottish football enabled him to search out this strong, positive player who became Wigan's record signing at £30,000 from East Fife in October, 1979.

NEIL DAVIDS (Defender) Made his League debut with Norwich, and came to Wigan via Northampton, Stockport and Swansea.

GRAHAM BARROW (Midfield) Signed from Alliance Premier League champions Altrincham.

ALEX CRIBLEY (Midfield) Experienced Liverpool reserve who joined Wigan at the end of October 1980 and then played in every game to the end of the season. A determined customer, equally at home in the back four as he is in midfield, he is very popular with Wigan fans.

CLIVE EVANS (Midfield) Signed for a sizeable fee in the close season from Tranmere, having already over 150 games and scored more than 30 goals for Rovers.

JEFF WRIGHT (Midfield) Has appeared more times for Wigan as a Football League player than any other currently on the books.

KEVIN SHELTON (Winger) Signed from Stoke in the summer to give the side greater width in attack.

MARK WIGHALL (Midfield) A great find who is capable of scoring goals. Played nine times last season for Wigan, his only League club.

MARK QUINN (Forward) After battling his way through the Athletic Youth XI and the Reserves, he made his mark as the club's leading scorer last season. He has gone from strength to strength and if he can maintain momentum, this strong, bustling youngster is sure to attract the interest of bigger clubs.

LES BRADD (Forward) A player of vast experience, with 500-plus League appearances and more than 150 goals amassed at Rotherham, Notts. County and Stockport. Capable also of quality performances at the back of the defence, he could prove to be one of the shrewdest of manager Larry Lloyd's signings.

PETER HOUGHTON (Forward) After showing a great deal of promise in Wigan's first two years in the Fourth Division, he struggled last season against a series of nagging injuries and inconsistent form. But towards the end he recovered his composure and his goal touch returned. On his day, he is a really exciting attacker.

WIGAN ATHLETIC



BACK ROW -

Clive Evans, Les Bradd, Neil Davids, Graham Barrow, John Brown, Bob Ward, Colin Methven, Mike Quinn, Peter Houghton, Alex Cribble.

FRONT ROW -

Fred Eyre (Asst. Manager), Kevin Sheldon, Mark Wignall, David Glenn, Larry Lloyd (Manager), Steve McAdam, John McMahon, Jeff Wright, Kenny Banks (Trainer).

Visitors' History

A replay more tense than any of their big Cup matches saw Wigan Athletic elected to the Fourth Division in 1978. At the Football League's A.G.M., Wigan tied with Southport on a first ballot, but after a nail-biting second count found themselves admitted to the elite membership of the '92.' League fare was a new experience for Wigan Athletic, but not for their Springfield Park ground. In company with Hartlepool United, Wigan BOROUGH were original members of the Third Division North in 1921, but after ten years of moderately successful competition they relinquished their place in October 1931 and immediately disbanded. From the ashes sprang a new club, Athletic, and it is only recently that the town has been given a second chance in the League. Elected from the Northern Prem., they were previously members of the Cheshire League and the Lancashire Combination. The record transfer fee received by the club, incidentally, was the £135,000 Sunderland paid in February 1980 to bring Joe Hinnigan to the North East.

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